History of the Waterfall
The Knox County Park District, with financial assistance from the Community Foundation of Knox County and Mount Vernon, acquired a 2+ acre property that includes a stunning, 25’ high waterfall. In 2009, the park district purchased an additional 19 acres from the Millwood Sand Company, which now provides visitors the ability to hike from the waterfall to the Kokosing River. Along the walk, visitors can view spectacular sandstone cliffs and boulders. A parking lot to access the falls is located at 10855 Hazel Dell Road, Howard, Ohio.

Towering Eastern hemlocks, partridge-berry, witch-hazel, wild ginger and rue-anemone grace this natural area.

Bouldering, a form of climbing that is accomplished low to the ground, is permitted at the site.

Highlights of Honey Run Highlands Park
In April of 2010, the park district purchased 348 acres across Hazel Dell Road from the waterfall. A sixty-acre tall grass prairie was restored. Activities include: bird and butterfly watching, picking berries and geocaching.

Over four miles of hiking trails await your next adventure. A second parking lot is accessed from US 62 (10816 Millersburg Rd.) near Caves Road.

The state-threatened barn owl frequents the area, and upland birds such as wild turkey and ring-necked pheasants are routinely spotted at the park, along with other wildlife. The Park District participates in the Ohio Lepidopterists long term butterfly monitoring. Contact us if you would like to volunteer to monitor.

Both Parks are one of (7) that feature a geocache on our newly established GeoTrail. Go to our website www.knoxcountyparks.org for details.
**Park Courtesy**

In order to maintain our trails and park systems that reside within the Knox County Park District we must have courtesy of the parks, river accesses, and trails.

- Alcohol and illegal drugs are prohibited.
- Motorized vehicles are restricted to designated parking areas.
- Littering is prohibited. Trash cans are located at some of our properties for proper disposal, otherwise pack it in, pack it out.
- Removal of plants, animals, minerals, artifacts or other natural features is prohibited.
- Help preserve the solitude of the park by being considerate and quiet.
- Dogs need to be on a leash. Visit our “Bark Park” at Wolf Run Park for your dogs to run off their leash.
- Camping is not permitted.

Improvements to our park systems are made possible, in part, by the passage of the Knox County Park District levies. We thank you for your support to our systems and hope you enjoy all that the Knox County Parks and Trails have to offer outdoor enthusiasts. Many donor and volunteer opportunities exist to assist with our park sites. Contact us at 740-392-7275.

For a list of Park District events please visit our website at [www.knoxcountyparks.org](http://www.knoxcountyparks.org) or follow us on Facebook at Knox County Park District or Instagram at [explore_knoxcountyparkdistrict](https://www.instagram.com/explore_knoxcountyparkdistrict). Our mailing address is 117 E. High Street, Suite 224, Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050.

**Explore Our Parks:**

- **Hellbender Preserve**
  23316 Coshocton Road, Howard 43028
- **Honey Run Highlands**
  10865 Hazel Dell Road, Howard (Lot) 43028
  10816 Millersburg Road Howard (#62 Lot) 43028*
- **Honey Run Waterfall**
  10855 Hazel Dell Road, Howard 43028
- **Indianfield Bluffs Park**
  10855 Sapp Road, Howard 43028
- **Thayer Ridge Park**
  7077 Thayer Road, Mount Vernon 43050
- **Wolf Run Regional Park & Bark Park**
  17621 Yauger Road, Mount Vernon 43050
- **Bat Nest Park**
  30500 Walhonding Road, Danville 43014

**Explore Our River Accesses:**

- **Big Run Road Access (Kokosing River)**
  8921 Big Run Road, Gambier 43022
- **Greer Landing Access (Mohican River)**
  20389 Brinkhaven Road, Glenmont 44628
- **Kokosing Gap Canoe Access (Kokosing River)**
  17812 Lower Gambier Road, Mount Vernon 43050
- **Kokosing Water Trail Access (Kokosing River)**
  Brown Family Environmental Center
  10115 Laymon Road, Gambier 43022
- **Millwood Access (Kokosing River)**
  11640 Bridge Street, Howard 43028
- **Mohican Water Trail Access (Mohican River)**
  16606 Hunter Road, Brinkhaven 43006
- **Pipesville Road Access (Kokosing River)**
  12059 Pipesville Road, Howard 43028
- **Riley Chapel Road Access (Kokosing River)**
  10300 Riley Chapel Road, Walhonding 43843
- **Zuck Riparian Preserve (Kokosing River)**
  28300 Zuck Road, Howard 43028

**Explore Our Trail Systems**

- **Heart of Ohio Trail** – (see other accesses on website)
  2750 Huffman Road Centerburg 43011
- **Kokosing Gap Trail** – (see other accesses on website)
  500 Mt Vernon Ave Mt.Vernon 43050
- **Mohican Valley Trail** – (see other accesses on website)
  Bridge of Dreams 16606 Hunter Road Brinkhaven 43006

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Honey Run Highlands Park and Waterfall

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10855 Hazel Dell Rd.
Howard OH
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